

international science. He was a recognized world figure.

"Only small-minded people would find fault with the plan to name a school after Dr. Murphy in this community where he had spent his life. When I was abroad I found Protestant and Catholics united in their love and admiration for this surgeon and I believe this community should be equally broad-minded."

For the first time since Jake Loeb became president of the school board, the religious issue has leaped from the ambushes where it has operated hitherto and is now more in the daylight and closer to the middle of the street where everybody can look at it.

Dr. Peter C. Clemensen, school trustee who backed up Jake Loeb's attack on the Teachers' Federation June 27 by voting for Loeb's decision to drop 68 teachers without notice or trial, is serving notice on the Jake Loeb organization that he will stick to a finish for his resolution to have the new Grand Crossing school named after Dr. John B. Murphy.

As a member of the Guardians of Liberty and a frequent speaker on the need for "Americanism" in the public schools, Dr. Clemensen became known as an enemy of the Teachers' Federation. Later he served notice that he regarded Jake Loeb's wholesale dismissal of teachers without trial or notice as too sudden, amounting to wrecking of civil service and being in reality an attack on the whole teaching force and the public school system instead of an attack on the Teachers' Federation. This split with Jake Loeb has been further widened through the attempt of Clemensen to have the Grand Crossing school named after Dr. Murphy.

Clemensen's speech was the conclusion of a series of incidents that centered around the religious issue. Under the business of communications received, Sec'y Lewis Larsen

read a letter signed by Charlotte C. Rhodus, president of the Woman's Party of Cook County, and Jenny N. Maegerlein, secretary, stating that a resolution of the members Jan. 5, 1917, made these points:

"Three public schools have been named in honor of physicians. Dr. Murphy was a supporter and believer in the Roman Catholic parochial school.

"We protest against the naming of any public school in honor of any person who favors Roman Catholic parochial schools.

"All public schools should be named after the district in which they are located and, in this instance, the new school should be called 'The Grand Crossing School.' This is our suggestion to the board. We trust it will be favorably considered."

A personal letter from Mrs. Rhodus over her signature as the Woman's Party president was read by Sec'y Larsen. It attacked the Chicago Teachers' Federation as "the largest and the only body of paid public officials allowed to organize politically and still hold their jobs." It was alleged to be "an influence for evil, destructive to all rightful authority in the public schools."

"For several years I have been in close touch with public school affairs," wrote Mrs. Rhodus, "and I have observed the relation of the Teachers' Federation to the board of education and the growth of its dominating political power over the teachers, the principals, the superintendent of schools, the board of education, the members of the city council and even over our highest city and state officials."

Attached to Mrs. Rhodus' letter was this communication:

"This letter was unanimously endorsed at a meeting of the members held on Friday, Jan. 5, 1917, with the following addition:

"Resolved, That the members of the Woman's Party of Cook Co. congratulate those members of the board